

NURTURE

caring for one another, for our space, and for our growth as disciples

{Inward}

OUR PRAYERS INCLUDE Michael Facemire, Ted Liles, Rafael del Cid & family, Joe Noto & family, David Johnson, Carolyn Johnson & family, Irene Wagner, Buster Ridell, Jamie & Lanier May, and Jay McKinney. Wish to add or restore a name to this printed list? Say so via the offering plate.

REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY READINGS typically shape our order of service, including the sermon. If you'd like to prepare:

Next Sunday—10th Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 45:1-15

Psalms 133

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32

Matthew 15:10-28

WE CELEBRATE OUR ARTISTS. Dennis Winston will be showcased in Hampton's Virginia Artists 2014 Juried Exhibition. Ted Liles, Dennis Winston, and Christus Murphy's work is currently on display at Lebanon Gallery in Pennsylvania. Their upstairs studios are a blessing.

Boulevard United Methodist Church



"We may want to remind our hearers, they are sitting in the 'nave' of the building -- a word whose origins come from the Latin *navis* which means 'boat' or 'ship'. The 'ship' we are in was not intended to stay tied up to the dock."

Brian Stoffregen

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On the cover: Night Passage, by Jan L. Richardson

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

We make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world (Matthew 28).

Order of Worship for the 9th Sunday After Pentecost

(UMH) - The United Methodist Hymnal
(TFWS) - The Faith We Sing

* Please stand, as able.

Gathering

Words of Welcome

Introit *I Believe*

*Call to Worship

*Hymn *There's Within My Heart a Melody (1, 3-4)* 380 UMH

Prayers of the People

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Interlude *Come By Here*

Each line is repeated 3 times; followed by "O Lord, come by here."

Verse 1: Come by here, my Lord, come by here...

Verse 2: Someone needs you, Lord, come by here...

Verse 3: Send a blessing, Lord, come by here...

Proclamation and Response

Time with Children

First Lesson *Matthew 14:22–33*
Choral Response

Second Lesson *Genesis 37:1–4, 12–28*

Sermon "Help What You Notice" Rev. Rachel G. May

Offering Tithes and Gifts

Offertory *Incarnate God, Immortal Love*

*Doxology (94 UMH)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give you thanks for the waters of creation's birth.
Over them the Spirit brooded,
bringing forth life in all its fullness.

We give you thanks for the waters of the Red Sea.
Through them Moses and Miriam led the covenant people;
in them you triumphed gloriously.

We bless you for the waters of Mary's womb.
In them Jesus was nurtured;
out of them he was born as your good news.

We bless you for the waters of the Sea of Galilee.
On them Jesus walked toward his disciples
and said, "Do not be afraid."

**Through these gifts,
call to our remembrance the grace declared to us in our baptism.
Upon all of our giving and receiving,
pour out your Holy Spirit.
Take us, bless us, break us, and share us.
Amen. Amen!**

Sending Forth

*Hymn *This is the Spirit's Entry Now* 608 UMH

*Benediction



Flowers are given to glorify God and with fond memories of
James William May—"Jimmy"—Grandpop.
It would be your 102nd.

OUTREACH

participating in ministries of compassion, justice, and advocacy

{Outward}

AN UPPER ROOM for Change the World RVA; yes, a space on the second floor of Boulevard's main building that has been loved into a student lounge! Gifts of time, money, and materials from all kinds of folks have made this summer project possible.

The after-school program will be here, this coming year. Amidst new faces, you may soon see some of the same people that participated in College Prep 101, which last year, met in a 1st floor classroom. Founder and director Natalie May reports:



October 7th - May 28th, we will meet on **Tuesdays and Thursdays** whenever Richmond Public Schools are in session. Off-site activities are in the planning stage. Students will be transported by Van Go services, to the church from school (Armstrong, Huguenot, and George Wythe High Schools) and from church to their homes. Students will begin arriving these days at **2:30**; activities will be held from 2:30 until 4:15; dinner will be served at 4:15 and the program will end between 4:45 and **5:00**. We anticipate between 10 and 15 participants.

Richmonders are working with Natalie, Rachel, Ruth, and others among us to repurpose additional space on the second level for classroom use. This is largely a September project. You are invited to participate. Details forthcoming!

WITNESS

telling our stories, offering expressions of faith, being Christ-like

{Together}

OUR TEN GUESTS have come and gone. Thank-you, William & Mary, for allowing us to exercise Christ-shaped hospitality and thank *you* for setting up cots, cleaning windows, washing linens, and so much more. We wish them all things bright and beautiful in the upcoming year of college.